

## PANAMA TRADE AGREEMENTS

### **Operating Free Trade Agreements (8):**

Chile, Singapore, China (Taiwan), Central America (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua).

### **Agreements under implementation (1):**

European Union (all countries are adjusting their local norms)

### **Agreements requiring partner's formal sanction (2):**

Canada and United States.

### **Limited Commercial Agreements (3):**

Colombia, México and the Dominican Republic

### **Agreements under negotiation (1):**

Peru

### **Agreements on hold (1):**

Colombia (Free Trade Agreement)

## SOCIAL

### **Human Development Index rank:**

#60 of 182 countries (2009) -- High Human Development. (Source: UN)

### **Population**

3.5 Million (1.8 MM men, 1.7 MM women; 1.8 MM in Province of Panama)  
Annual growth rate: 1.6%

### **Literacy rate:**

95% (General Lifestyle Survey, 2008. Contraloría General de la República)

### **Public spending on education and culture:**

4.6% of GDP (Contraloría General de la República, 2009)

### **Life expectancy:**

76 years; 4th highest in Latin America (World Health Organization, year 2008)

### **Political and press freedom:**

1.5 (1= most free; 7= least free) (Freedom House)

